



IFW 2824

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE/MAILING PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.8**

I hereby certify that this correspondence, along with any accompanying documents, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.8, are being sent via facsimile to (703) 872-9306 with a confirmation copy deposited with the United States Postal Service via First Class mail addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450:

Date:

8/12/04

By:

[Signature]

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT**

Applicant(s):	Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.	Docket No.:	29288.0800
Inventor(s):	Akihiro Odagawa, et al.	Filing Date:	August 22, 2001
		Examiner:	Hien N. Nguyen
		Art Unit:	2824
Serial No.:	09/856,847		
Int'l Priority Date:	September 27, 1999		
TITLE:	MAGNETO-RESISTIVE EFFECT MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME		

**REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Assistant Commissioner:

Upon review of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due dated March 24, 2004 (a copy attached), we are requesting a review of the Patent Term Adjustment to determine if the calculation of the Patent Term Adjustment is correct. It appears that a Patent Term Adjustment of at least 300 days may be applicable to the subject application. We would appreciate your prompt review of the calculation of the Patent Term Adjustment.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Shahpar Shahpar, Reg. No. 45,875

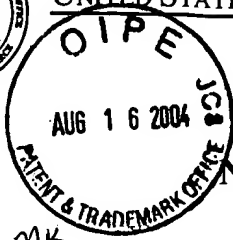
Dated: 8-11-04

**SNELL & WILMER L.L.P.**  
400 E. Van Buren  
One Arizona Center  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004  
Phone: 602-382-6306  
Fax: 602-382-6070  
sshahpar@swlaw.com



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov



## NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

020322 MK 7590

03/24/2004

SNELL & WILMER  
ONE ARIZONA CENTER  
400 EAST VAN BUREN  
PHOENIX, AZ 850040001

RECEIVED

MAR 29 2004

SNELL &amp; WILMER

EXAMINER

NGUYEN, HIEN N

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

2824

DATE MAILED: 03/24/2004

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/856,847	08/22/2001	Akihiro Odagawa	29288.0800	4739

TITLE OF INVENTION: MAGNETORESISTANCE EFFECT MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1330	\$0	\$1330	06/24/2004

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. **PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.** THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN **THREE MONTHS** FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. **THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED.** SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

## HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

## I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.

B. If the status is changed, pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above and notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the change in status, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or

B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check the box below and enclose the PUBLICATION FEE and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

☐ Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

312 amend 4-10-04

issue fee 6-24-04

ok. 10/24/04 2:00 PM